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- 1. At the conference held in Peiping on 30 May 1950, Sinkiang Province was selected as the area of greatest security and primary strategical importance for military purposes. In consequence, Party organization and Party machinery were strengthened in Sinkiang, and an extensive propaganda campaign was carried out to convince the local population of their duty to the nation. The Province was also cleared of undesirables, including such "imperialist agents" as the consulates of India and Pakistan.
- 2. After the undesirable elements had been driven from Sinkiang, construction of airfields, military establishments and organice depots was begun. All air force equipment was supplied by the USSR and Czechoslovakia, and the USSR also furnished military and air advisers. Young Chinese were sent to the USSR and the "People's Democracy"** for aviation training.
- 3. Airfields have been constructed at Yangthissal (sic), Shiya (sic) and Cucha (sic), which is air neadquarters.*** The area from Yarken (sic) to Tsehleh (sic) ** ** is being surveyed and airfields are under construction.
- 4. A large military establishment has been developed at wushih Ordnance Depots.***** Research work on the development of military techniques is being conducted on a large scale.
- 5. In November 1950 about 500 jet planes and 200 transport planes were stationed at the various airfields.

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Comment. According to the informant, the document requested information on political and economic conditions in Nepal and Assam, and promised further reports on Tibet and the air power of Communist China.

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. tremmod This may refer to the Mongolian People's Republic or to kanchuria.

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Comment. These places are possibly aucha (82-54, 41-43), Shahyar (82-50, 41-15) and Yingchisha (76-09, 38-50.) Comment. A landing field at mucha was reported as early as warch 1950. Yangthissal may be Sulo (Kashgar Yangi Shahr, 76-06, 39-25), where an airfield existed in may 1947.

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Comment. This possibly indicates the area from Yeherhoh'iang (Yarkand, 77-20, 26-25) to Sulo.

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ent. This is possibly Wusu Ordnance Depots. Comment. An account of Wushih (Uch Turfan, 79-00, 41-10) mentions a fort but no ordnance depot. No details are available on Wusu (84-37, 44-27).

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